

*REMARKS*

The specification has been amended to correct typographical or grammatical errors, and a minor inconsistency at page 7, line 28. Thus "bags" was replaced by --mesh--. The size range of the silica in microns corresponds to this mesh size. The claims have been amended to improve the form. Claim 6 has been amended to delete the reference to dosage; the amendment to claim 6 is supported by the disclosure, e.g., at page 2, lines 23 to page 3, line 15. No new matter has been added.

A favorable decision is solicited. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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